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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 April 2011.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 21-48 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 21-48 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 28 September 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-940)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB-08)
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DETAILED ACTION

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114.

Applicant's submission filed on 03/28/2011 has been entered. Claims 21, 35, 36, and 42 have been amended. Claims 21-48 are pending examination.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

2. The following is a quotation of the fourth paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

Subject to the [fifth paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112], a claim in dependent form shall contain a reference to a claim previously set forth and then specify a further limitation of the subject matter claimed. A claim in dependent form shall be construed to incorporate by reference all the limitations of the claim to which it refers.

3. Claims 22-27 and 43-48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, 4th paragraph, as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of the claim upon which it depends, or for failing to include all the limitations of the claim upon which it depends.

Each of the claims is directed to a specific component of the system, "The server-side data processing machine" and does not include all the limitations of the

parent claim; therefore failing to include all the limitations of the claim upon which it depends.

Applicant may cancel the claim(s), amend the claim(s) to place the claim(s) in proper dependent form, rewrite the claim(s) in independent form, or present a sufficient showing that the dependent claim(s) complies with the statutory requirements.

4. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

5. Claims 35-41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

Claim 35 recites "denying, by said data-access engine said data requests unless said data requests have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server", and Applicant has pointed to Pg. 8, Lines 16 and 19-20 as support for the data-access engine denying data requests, however, the Examiner does not see how the data-access engine implementing "requests" equates to denying requests.

6. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

7. Claims 21-27, 32, 34, 39, 41 and 43-48 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

8. Claims 21 and 42 recite the limitation "securely and efficiently fulfilling network requests," without explaining how the requests are "securely" or "efficiently" fulfilled; therefore, the claim is indefinite.

Claims 22-27 and 43-48 also rejected for being dependant upon a rejected claim.

9. Claims 25, 32, and 46 recite the limitation "said data request", but "data **requests**" were previously claimed, and it is unclear to which specific data request "said data request" is referencing. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

10. Claims 27 and 48 recite "said server-logic module and said user interface" fulfilling "logic requests and user interface requests", and it is unclear whether the server-logic module and the user interface each fulfill both logic requests **and** user interface requests, or the server-logic module fulfills logic requests and the user interface fulfills user interface requests.

11. Claims 34 and 41 recite "said server-logic module and said user interface" fulfilling "logic requests or user interface requests", and it is unclear whether the server-

logic module and the user interface can fulfill either of the logic requests **and** user interface requests, or the server-logic module fulfills logic requests and the user interface fulfills user interface requests.

12. Claim 35 recites "denying, by said data-access engine said data requests unless said data requests have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server", but the data request as claimed are sent from the client to the pseudo server, and it is unclear how the data access engine can deny the "said data requests" not sent through the pseudo server, when all of the said data requests were sent through the pseudo server.

Claims 36-41 are also rejected for being dependant upon a rejected claim.

13. Claims 39 recites "wherein said step of fulfilling", but is unclear whether the step is referring to the server-logic module fulfilling or the user interface fulfilling or both.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

14. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

15. Claims 21-22, 26-29, 33-34, 42-43, and 47-48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US 2001/0042171 A1 to Vermeulen in view of US 2004/0267965 A1 to Vasudevan et al. (hereinafter referred to as Vasudevan).

16. In regard claim 21, **Vermeulen** teaches a system comprising:

(a) a server-side data-processing machine for securely and efficiently fulfilling network requests (*see Remote Server as a "server-side data processing machine" in Fig. 1 [14] and see Remote Server securely fulfilling requests for files by using a Proxy Server in a system of a Client, Proxy Server, and the Remote Server providing requested files to the Client such as "securely and efficiently fulfilling network request", in [0022-0023]*),

the server-side data-processing machine including a data-access engine, residing in a server memory of server-side data-processing machine (*see Control Program in the Remote Server's Memory as a "data-access engine" run by a Processor, in [0025] Lines 7-8*), and:

(b) at least one pseudo server residing in a secondary memory of a secondary data-processing machine (*see Control Program as "at least one pseudo server" in the Proxy Server's Main Memory as "a secondary memory of a secondary data-processing machine", in Fig. 3 [34] and [0026]*),

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a server-logic module for fulfilling data requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine (*see the Proxy Server's Control Program including a Sequence of Control*

Instructions such as a "server logic module" that controls data requests from a Client such as a "data requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine, in Fig. 2 [11] [21] and [0026]),

wherein the data request from said client-side data-processing machine for data stored in said data-access engine must be routed through one of said at least one pseudo server (*see the Client required to communicate through the Proxy Server to load files from the Remote Serve such as "said data-access engine must be routed through one of said at least one pseudo server", in Fig. 1 [11] [12] [14] and [0022]),*

wherein the functionality of said data access engine related to said data request from said client-side data-processing machine is confined to data storage and retrieval (*see the Remote Server's Control Program handling operations used to compute hash codes that are used to determine whether a file is stored such as "data storage" on the Proxy Server, which is used to determine whether to download the requested stored file such as "retrieval" from the Proxy Server or the Remote server such as "functionality of said data access engine related to said data request...is confined to data storage and retrieval", in [0025]), but*

Vermeulen does not teach

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a user interface (UI) for fulfilling queries of requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine as claimed.

However, **Vasudevan** teaches

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a user interface (UI) for fulfilling queries of requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine (*see Multi-Device Proxy Server as "at least one pseudo server" that insert's Wormholes such as "a user interface" that provides a modified User Interface tailored to a content requesting Client's device, in Fig. 1 [104] [112] [120] and [0166]*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the feature of a client using a GUI of a proxy server to fulfill a client's request, as disclosed in **Vasudevan**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen's** Proxy Server, since both references are directed toward using a proxy server to access a remote server, hence, would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because it is well known in the art that thin-client computers such as PDA's and Mobile Devices are commonly used to access the internet using proxy servers to intercept data and manipulate the data in order to make remote data compatible for thick as well as thin clients (**from Vasudevan in [0004]**), and **Vermeulen** is enhanced by allowing different type of devices to access high performance types of remote content; thereby increasing the compatibility of the system (**from Vasudevan in [0004]**).

17. In regard to claim 22, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the server-side data-processing machine of claim 21,

wherein said data-access engine is located in a first network and at least one of said at least one pseudo one server is located in a second network having said client-side data-processing machine (*see Control Program of the Remote Server connected to the Internet such as a "first network" and the Client and Proxy Server's Control Program connected over an Intranet such as a "second network", from Vermeulen in Fig. 1 [11] [12] [13] [14] and [0022] [0023]*).

18. In regard to claim 26, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the server-side data-processing machine of claim 21,

wherein a local data request from said client-side data-processing machine for data stored in one of said at least one pseudo server can be fulfilled directly by said one of said at least one pseudo server (*see Proxy Server fulfilling File Requests such as a "local data request" when the requested file is in the Proxy Server's cache, from Vermeulen in Fig. 2 [21] and [0022]*).

19. Claim 27 recites similar limitations to limitations already claimed in claim 21, by replacing "data requests" with "logic requests" and "queries or requests" with "user interface requests", and logic requests and users interface requests have not been defined in the Applicant's Specification and are interpreted as being equivalent to the requests in claim 21; therefore, claim 27 is rejected under the same rationale..

20. Claims 28-29 and 33 recite substantially the same claims as system claims 21-22 and 26 respectively; therefore, they are rejected under the same rationale.

21. In regard to claim 34, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the network system of claim 28, and **Vermeulen** teaches wherein said server-logic module of each of said at least one pseudo server is are further configured to directly fulfill a logic request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine (*see the Proxy Server's Control Program including a Sequence of Control Instructions such as a "server logic module" that controls data requests from a Client such as a "logic requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine, in Fig. 2 [11] [21] and [0026]*), but

Vermeulen does not teach

said user interface of each of said at least one pseudo server is are further configured to directly fulfill a user interface request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine as claimed.

However, **Vasudevan** teaches

said user interface of each of said at least one pseudo server is are further configured to directly fulfill a user interface request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine (*see Multi-Device Proxy Server as "at least one pseudo server" that insert's Wormholes such as "a user interface" that provides a modified User Interface tailored to a Client's device that requests content through the*

Multi-Device Proxy such as a "user interface request", in Fig. 1 [104] [112] [120] and [0166]).

One would be motivated to combine **Vasudevan** with **Vermeulen** for reasoning set forth above in claim 21.

22. In regard claim 42, **Vermeulen** teaches a system comprising:

(a) a server-side data-processing machine for securely and efficiently fulfilling network requests (*see Remote Server as a "server-side data processing machine" in Fig. 1 [14] and see Remote Server securely fulfilling requests for files by using a Proxy Server in a system of a Client, Proxy Server, and the Remote Server providing requested files to the Client such as "securely and efficiently fulfilling network request", in [0022-0023]*),

the server-side data-processing machine including a data-access engine, residing in a server memory of server-side data-processing machine (*see Control Program in the Remote Server's Memory as a "data-access engine" run by a Processor, in [0025] Lines 7-8*), and:

(b) at least one pseudo server residing in a secondary memory of a secondary data-processing machine (*see Control Program as "at least one pseudo server" in the Proxy Server's Main Memory as "a secondary memory of a secondary data-processing machine", in Fig. 3 [34] and [0026]*),

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a server-logic module for fulfilling data requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing

machine (*see the Proxy Server's Control Program including a Sequence of Control Instructions such as a "server logic module" that controls data requests from a Client such as a "data requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine, in Fig. 2 [11] [21] and [0026]*),

wherein the data request from said client-side data-processing machine for data stored in said data-access engine must be routed through one of said at least one pseudo server (*see the Client required to communicate through the Proxy Server to load files from the Remote Serve such as "said data-access engine must be routed through one of said at least one pseudo server", in Fig. 1 [11] [12] [14] and [0022]*),

wherein the functionality of said data access engine related to said data request from said client-side data-processing machine is confined to data storage and retrieval (*see the Remote Server's Control Program handling operations used to compute hash codes that are used to determine whether a file is stored such as "data storage" on the Proxy Server, which is used to determine whether to download the requested stored file such as "retrieval" from the Proxy Server or the Remote server such as "functionality of said data access engine related to said data request...is confined to data storage and retrieval", in [0025]*), but

Vermeulen does not teach

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a server-logic module for fulfilling data requests via a first set of at least one communications protocols from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine; and

wherein the at least one pseudo server communicates with the data access engine via a second set of at least one communications protocols; and

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a user interface (UI) for fulfilling queries of requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine as claimed.

However, **Vasudevan** teaches

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a server-logic module for fulfilling data requests via a first set of at least one communications protocols from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine (*see Multi-Device Proxy Server as "at least one pseudo server" that has a Content Transfer Protocol Proxy such as a "server-logic module" that fulfills requests from a Rendering Device such as a "client-side data processing machine," using a plurality of different communication protocols depending on the Rendering Device such as a "first set of at least one communication protocols", in Fig. 8 [112] [120] [536] and [0103 – 0104]*); and

wherein the at least one pseudo server communicates with the data access engine via a second set of at least one communications protocols (*see the Content Transfer Protocol Proxy communicating to and from a Content Server such as a "data access engine" using a plurality of different communication protocols such as a "second set of at least one communications protocols", in [0103-0104]*) **THE CLAIMS DO NOT RECITE THE SPECIFICS OF THE PROTOCOLS CONTAINED IN THE SET, NEITHER DOES THE SPECIFICATION DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN A FIRST AND SECOND SET OF COMMUNICATIONS PROTOCOLS**

wherein said at least one pseudo server includes a user interface (UI) for fulfilling queries of requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine (*see Multi-Device Proxy Server that inserts Wormholes such as "a user interface" that provides a modified User Interface tailored to a content requesting Client's device, in Fig. 1 [104] [112] [120] and [0166]*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the feature of a client using a GUI of a proxy server to fulfill a client's request and communicating using different communication protocols, as disclosed in **Vasudevan**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen's** Proxy Server, since both references are directed toward using a proxy server to access a remote server, hence, would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because it is well known in the art that thin-client computers such as PDA's and Mobile Devices are commonly used to access the internet using proxy servers to intercept data and manipulate the data in order to make remote data compatible for thick as well as thin clients (**from Vasudevan in [0004]**), and it would be advantages to use different protocols according to different types of devices, and **Vermeulen** is enhanced by allowing different type of devices to access high performance types of remote content; thereby increasing the compatibility of the system (**from Vasudevan in [0004]**).

23. Claims 43 and 47-48 recite substantially the same limitations as system claims 22 and 26-27 respectively; therefore, they are rejected under the same rationale.

24. Claims 23-24, 30-31, and 44-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vermeulen-Vasudevan in view of US 6,604,143 B1 to Nagar et al. (hereinafter referred to as Nagar).

25. In regard to claim 23, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the server-side data-processing machine of claim 22, wherein said data-access engine is configured to communicate with other client-side data-processing machines via a pseudo server residing within said first network (*see Several Clients Connected to the Proxy Server over the Intranet, from Vermeulen in [0023]*), but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan does not teach communication with other client-side data-processing machines via pseudo servers as claimed.

However, **Nagar** teaches communication with other client-side data-processing machines via pseudo servers the data-access engine (*see Server Program communicating with Client Computers in an Intranet via a plurality of Proxy Servers, in Fig. 2 [202] [206] [208] [220] [228] [230] and Col. 6, Line 63 – Col. 7, Line 10*)

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the features of using a plurality of proxy servers to communicate with clients inside of an intranet network, as disclosed in **Nagar**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Tanabe's** intranet proxy server, since all of the references are directed toward proxy servers, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because it is well known that in distributed computer network systems, multiple system components may be used in a larger system to facilitate larger amount's of requested information in order to reduce the load on a single system component (**Nagar in Col. 6, Line 63 - Col. 7, Line 10**).

26. In regard to claim 24, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the server-side data-processing machine of claim 21, but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan does not teach wherein said data-access engine is configured to communicate via a content-filtering device deployed between said data access engine and said at least one pseudo server as claimed.

However, **Nagar** teaches said data-access engine is configured to communicate via a content-filtering device deployed between said data access engine and said at least one pseudo server (*see Server Program external to the Intranet as a "data access engine" that communicates with Client inside the Intranet through a Response Filter such as a "content-filtering device" between a Proxy Server as a "pseudo server", in Fig. 2 [220], Fig. 3 [315] [320] [325] and Col. 6, Lines 21-33*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the features filtering content between a proxy server and a remote server, as disclosed in **Nagar**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan**, since all of the references are directed toward proxy servers, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because **Nagar** discloses the current problem with state of the art filtering methods (**Nagar in Col. 1, Lines 41-44**) and discloses the need for improvement in content filtering (**Nagar in Col. 2, Lines 4-5**), and the incorporation of **Nagar** into **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** would enhance **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** by allowing for current modification of filter rules in filtering incoming and outgoing proxy request data as it is well known that proxies are filtered (**Nagar in Col. 2, Lines 11-13**).

27. Claims 30-31 are corresponding system claims of apparatus claims 23-24; therefore, they are rejected under the same rationale.

28. Claims 44-45 recite substantially the same limitations as system claims 23-24 respectively; therefore, they are rejected under the same rationale.

29. Claims 25, 32, and 46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** in view of US 6,356,941 B1 to Cohen.

30. In regard to claim 25, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** teaches the server-side data-processing machine of claim 21, but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan does not teach wherein said data-access engine is configured to only fulfill said data request according to restrictions set by a network vault as claimed.

However, **Cohen** teaches a data-access engine is configured to only fulfill said data request according to restrictions set by a network vault (*see Server's Software Module as a "data-access engine" that fulfills request, and a Network Vault used to set restrictions of whether a user requesting a transactions has permission, in Fig. 3 [48] in Col. 13, Lines 42-47*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to combine the feature of restricting the retrieval of the requested stored data by using "network vaults" as disclosed in **Cohen**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** files storage server, since all of the references are directed toward a accessing stored data, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would have been motivated to do so as **Cohen** discloses the problems associated with proxy servers and filtered communication and discussed the advantages of using network vaults to increase security (**Cohen in Col. 7, Lines 39-50**).

31. Claim 32 is a corresponding system claim of apparatus claim 25; therefore, it is rejected under the same rationale

32. Claim 46 recites substantially the same limitations as system claim 25; therefore, it is rejected under the same rationale.

33. Claims 35-36 and 40-41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vermeulen in view Vasudevan, in view of US 2002/0099957 A1 to Kramer et al. (hereinafter referred to as Kramer), and further in view of US 2005/0060534 A1 to Marvasti.

34. Claim 35 is a corresponding method claim of system claim 21, with the additional limitation of:

(b) denying, by said data-access engine said data requests unless said data requests have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server, therefore, the previous limitations are rejected under the same rationale as in claim 21, and

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said data-access engine receiving said data requests that have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server (*see the Client required to communicate through the Proxy Server to load files from the Remote Serve such as "said data-access engine must be routed through one of said at least one pseudo server", in Fig. 1 [11] [12] [14] and [0022]*), but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan does not teach denying data requests by a data-access engine unless said data requests have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server.

However, **Kramer** teaches denying data requests unless said data requests have been routed through one of said at least one pseudo server (*see a Firewall that denies*

requests that are not originated from a Proxy Server such as a "pseudo sever", in Fig. 3 [311] and [0041]), but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer does not teach denying data requests by a data-access engine as claimed.

However, **Marvasti** teaches

denying data requests by a data-access engine (*see a Firewall used to govern access to a Remote Server running a database such as a "data-access engine", wherein the firewall is on the Remote Server, in [0025][0049]*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to block incoming requests intended to be routed through a proxy server that are not routed through a proxy server, as disclosed in **Kramer**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan's** routing requests through a Proxy Server, and the teachings of denying request's using a firewall by a data providing server, as disclosed in Marvasti, into the teachings **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer's** firewall, of since all of the reference are requesting data from a remote server, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do combine **Vermeulen** with **Vasudevan** for reasoning set forth above in claim 21, and one would be motivated to combine **Kramer** with **Vermeulen-Vasudevan** because **Vermeulen-Vasudevan 's** system is set up so that all client file requests are to be routed through a proxy, and it should be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to recognize that if a system is set to route all requests through a proxy, any request that is not routed through the proxy should be denied, as it

is well known that firewalls are commonly set in place to avoid such unsafe routing techniques, and one would be motivated to combine **Marvasti** with **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer** in order to reduce the amount of hardware components, by placing a firewall on the remote server, thereby decreasing the cost of the system.

35. In regard to claim 36 **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 35,

wherein said data-access engine is located in a first network and at least one of said at least one pseudo one server is located in a second network having said client-side data-processing machine (*see Control Program of the Remote Server connected to the Internet such as a "first network" and the Client and Proxy Server's Control Program connected over an Intranet such as a "second network", from Vermeulen in Fig. 1 [11] [12] [13] [14] and [0022] [0023]*).

36. In regard to claim 40, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 35, the method further comprising the step of:

(c) directly fulfilling, by said one of said at least on pseudo server, a local data request from said client-side data-processing machine for data stored in said one of said at least one pseudo server. (*see Proxy Server fulfilling File Requests such as a "local data request" when the requested file is in the Proxy Server's cache, from Vermeulen in Fig. 2 [21] and [0022]*).

37. In regard to claim 41, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 35, and **Vermeulen** teaches the method further comprising the step of:

(c) directly fulfilling, by said server-logic module of each of said at least one pseudo server, a logic request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine (*see the Proxy Server's Control Program including a Sequence of Control Instructions such as a "server logic module" that controls data requests from a Client such as a "logic requests originating from a client memory of a client-side data-processing machine, from Vermeulen in Fig. 2 [11] [21] and [0026]*), but

Vermeulen, Kramer, and Marvasti do not teach directly fulfilling, by said user interface of each of said at least one pseudo server, a logic request or a user interface request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine as claimed.

However, **Vasudevan** teaches said user interface of each of said at least one pseudo server is are further configured to directly fulfill a user interface request originating from said client memory of said client-side data-processing machine (*see Multi-Device Proxy Server as "at least one pseudo server" that insert's Wormholes such as "a user interface" that provides a modified User Interface tailored to a Client's device that requests content through the Multi-Device Proxy such as a "user interface request", in Fig. 1 [104] [112] [120] and [0166]*).

One would be motivated to combine **Vasudevan** with **Vermeulen, Kramer, and Marvasti** because it is well known in the art software logic is commonly modular, wherein specific logic modules handle specific type of request, and it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to use specific types of software logic to process respective types of requests.

38. Claims 37-38 and are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti in view of Nagar.

39. In regard to claim 37, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 36,

wherein said data-access engine is configured to communicate with other client-side data-processing machines via a pseudo server residing within said first network (*see Several Clients Connected to the Proxy Server over the Intranet, from Vermeulen in [0023]*), but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti does not teach communication with other client-side data-processing machines via pseudo servers as claimed.

However, **Nagar** teaches communication with other client-side data-processing machines via pseudo servers the data-access engine (*see Server Program communicating with Client Computers in an Intranet via a plurality of Proxy Servers, in Fig. 2 [202] [206] [208] [220] [228] [230] and Col. 6, Line 63 – Col. 7, Line 10*)

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the features of using a plurality of proxy servers to communicate with clients inside of an intranet network, as disclosed in **Nagar**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti's** intranet proxy server, since all of the references are directed toward proxy servers, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because it is well known that in distributed computer network systems, multiple system components may be used in a larger system to facilitate larger amount's of requested information in order to reduce the load on a single system component (**Nagar in Col. 6, Line 63 - Col. 7, Line 10**).

40. In regard to claim 38, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 35, but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti does not teach wherein said data-access engine is configured to communicate via a content-filtering device deployed between said data access engine and said at least one pseudo server as claimed.

However, **Nagar** teaches said data-access engine is configured to communicate via a content-filtering device deployed between said data access engine and said at least one pseudo server (*see Server Program external to the Intranet as a "data access engine" that communicates with Client inside the Intranet through a Response Filter such as a "content-filtering device" between a Proxy Server as a "pseudo server", in Fig. 2 [220], Fig. 3 [315] [320] [325] and Col. 6, Lines 21-33*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to add the features filtering content between a proxy server and a remote server, as disclosed in **Nagar**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti's** routing requests through a proxy server, since all of the references are directed toward proxy servers, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would be motivated to do so because **Nagar** discloses the current problem with state of the art filtering methods (**Nagar in Col. 1, Lines 41-44**) and discloses the need for improvement in content filtering (**Nagar in Col. 2, Lines 4-5**), and the incorporation of **Nagar** into **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** would enhance **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** by allowing for current modification of filter rules in filtering incoming and outgoing proxy request data as it is well known that proxies are filtered (**Nagar in Col. 2, Lines 11-13**).

41. **Claim 39 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti in view of Cohen.**

42. In regard to claim 39, **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti** teaches the method of claim 35, but

Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti wherein said step of fulfilling is further dependent upon restrictions set by a network vault as claimed.

However, **Cohen** teaches fulfilling is further dependent upon restrictions set by a network vault (*see Server's Software Module as a "data-access engine" that fulfills request, and a Network Vault used to set restrictions of whether a user requesting a transactions has permission, in Fig. 3 [48] in Col. 13, Lines 42-47*).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the claimed invention to combine the feature of restricting the retrieval of the requested stored data by using "network vaults" as disclosed in **Cohen**, into the teachings of **Vermeulen-Vasudevan-Kramer-Marvasti's** files storage server, since all of the references are directed toward a accessing stored data, hence would be considered to be analogous based on their related fields of endeavor.

One would have been motivated to do so as **Cohen** discloses the problems associated with proxy servers and filtered communication and discussed the advantages of using network vaults to increase security (**Cohen in Col. 7, Lines 39-50**).

Response to Arguments

43. In the Remarks Applicant argued in substance that:

(A) **Vermeulen's** Remote Server contains server logic and a data access engine, which is different than the present invention in which the Server has a data access

engine only for data storage and retrieval, and the server logic is contained in the Pseudo Server (**Pages 10-11**).

In response to Argument (A), Examiner respectfully disagrees with Applicant, because clearly in **Vermeulen** the Proxy Server is responsible for fulfilling all requests to the Client, therefore the claimed "server-logic module for fulfilling the requests" must be in **Vermeulen's** Proxy Server, and the sole functionality of Vermeulen's Remote Server is to store data, and retrieve the stored data for the Proxy Server, which caches and provides the stored content to the Client; therefore, the logic of fulfilling the requests and storing the requests is separated by the Proxy server; thereby increasing the security of the system (**Vermeulen [0023]**).

(B) Tanabe's Proxy Server does not separate the code between the server logic the user interface, and the data access engine, because Tanabe's Proxy Server runs a user interface of the Server. (**Pages 11-12**)

In response to Argument (B), Applicant's arguments, have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of **Vasudevan**.

(C) Kramer does not teach denying requests by the Data Access Engine, but rather the firewall. **(Pages 13-14)**

In response to Argument (C), Examiner respectfully disagrees with Applicant, noting first that the Examiner does not agree with Applicants that support is in the specification that the Data Access Engine denies request not routed through the Pseudo Server, because the Specification does not specifically disclose that the Data Access Engine denies request, and implementing the requests does not provide support for denying the requests by the Data Access Engine, and even if the Specification provided support for the Data Access Engine denying requests not routed through the Pseudo Server, it would not be logical for the Data Access Engine to deny request, because the Specification discloses on Pg. 8, Lines 13-16:

"Method 40 further includes permitting 46 communication between the data access engine 22 and pseudo server 28. Communication is in the form of requests from is pseudo server 28 for data from first data processing machine 21, preferably from vault 23. Requests are implemented by data access engine 22"

Which would require that all requests from the client must be routed through the Pseudo Server, therefore, any communication between the Pseudo Server and the Data Access Engine are already routed through the Pseudo Server, thereby, making it illogical to deny a request by the Data Access Engine, especially since the claim is directed towards "said data requests" that when referenced back to the first instance of "data

requests" is referring to data already routed through the Pseudo Server (**see Claim 35 Lines 5-7**).

(D) Blewett does not teach communicating using two sets of communication protocols. (**Pages 14-15**)

In response to Argument (D), Applicant's arguments, have been fully considered and are persuasive. Therefore, the rejection has been withdrawn. However, upon further consideration, a new ground(s) of rejection is made in view of **Vasudevan**.

Conclusion

44. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JONATHAN WILLIS whose telephone number is (571)270-7467. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Caldwell can be reached on (571)272-3868. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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